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speaking in the name of the government agency, McKnight asked the North American congress to approve speedily an increase exceeding 1.3 million dollars per year in the budget of the organization. He argued that it was of the utmost importance to increase right now the number of labor union information officials throughout the hemisphere.

"It is necessary to go to the bottom of the problem in order to counteract this movement", McKnight said in reference to the enormous support which the Cuban revolution enjoys among the independent labor organizations and among the masses of workers in Latin America.

In connection with this new request for funds, labor advisers of President Kennedy have suggested a concentrated offensive in the field of labor union propaganda aimed at undermining or destroying the prestige of the Cuban revolution among the Latin American workers. However, the labor affairs officials of the embassies who are linked to the Central Intelligence Agency will also organize groups of provocateurs. They will encourage divisionist elements; try to corrupt labor leaders through bribery; and subsidize counterrevolutionary labor publications in every country.

In the opinion of the observers, nevertheless, there is nothing original in this anti-labor program of the democratic administration, except the considerable increase of funds to implement it. In fact, this has been the policy of the North American State Department, of the Central Intelligence Agency and of the FBI in regard to the labor union movement in Latin America. As a matter of fact, the North American monopolies--in order to carry out their exploitation in Latin America with a minimum of difficulties--require a weak labor movement controlled (as little?) as possible, completely divided and disunited.

The labor information officials of the North American embassies have only to try to put into effect this old policy of Yankee imperialism.

MOLINA SENTENCE REVENGE FOR PLAYA GIRON

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("Venceremos" editorial, by Raul Valdes Vivero)

(Summary) Francisco Molina del Rio has been sentenced in New York to a minimum of 20 years in prison and there is the possibility that he will be given a perpetual prison sentence.